

Redistricting Committee
Agenda
November 12, 2015
Red Clay District Office, Board Room

1. Minutes from November 4 meeting
2. Update on district conversations:
 - Brandywine
 - Colonial
 - Christina/Red Clay
3. Discussion of Draft Plan to be released for public comment
 - Committee member questions/responses to draft
 - Actions to Reduce effects of remaining fragmentation
 - Developing agenda for joint meeting of committees
 - Choice/Charter Possible Issues to explore:
 - Transportation: Universal choice provides students the opportunity to apply to any school, but if admitted, transportation options to many schools are limited.
 - Information: Parents, particularly those in disadvantaged communities, lack access to information not just about available options, but about the integrity of those options in terms of resource inputs and practices available in schools.
 - Choice Enrollment Process: While it has been streamlined in recent years through a common choice application portal, the process of enrollment at high-demand schools, particularly those with standards for demonstration of a special interest, has become increasingly selective, yet not particularly transparent.
 - Support Services: Schools of all kinds struggle to consistently provide the support services necessary to successfully educate the full range of public school student needs.
 - More Selective Schools: avoid enrolling challenging students, disenroll students rather than work to meet needs,
 - Disappearance of Community Schools: with a surplus of options, local schools are no longer the heart of communities
4. Release for public comment
5. Next Meeting:
 - November 19, 4-6 pm, Red Clay Board Room (if necessary)